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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

Consideration of the information disclosure statement submitted herewith pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d) is requested.

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